Frequently Asked Questions 2 HUD Office of Housing Counseling FY2013 Training NOFA

Q: In Rating Factor 2, page 21, the NOFA asks us to estimate the counselors that reside in a rural community. The issue is that, unless they freelance, we are more likely to have counselors' work addresses, and we have no way of knowing where they actually reside. It's possible they reside in a city or county that doesn't meet the RHS definition for rural, and that they just work in the rural area. Can we assume that you meant to say work in place of reside?

A. Please follow the instructions provided on Page 21. The NOFA states, "Estimate the percentage of total counselors to be served under this grant award that reside in a rural community."

Q. Applicants must be public or private nonprofit organizations and must have "tax exempt" status under section 501(a) pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 USC 501(a) and (c)(3). Is it the position of HUD that a tribe would meet this requirement?

A. As stated in the NOFA, Applicants must be public or private nonprofit organizations and must have "tax exempt" status under section 501(a) pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 USC 501(a) and (c)(3). The Internal Revenue service makes the determination if an entity is tax exempt under 501(a) pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 USC 501(a) and (c)(3). Applicants must demonstrate to HUD that they meet this requirement. Those applicants that do not have 501(c)3 are not eligible to apply for this NOFA.